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(U) Hillsborough – "Criminal Tourism" Plaguing Well-Off Northern California Communities

(U) The town of Hillsborough has seen an increase in burglaries over the past four months and police say a specific group could be responsible. Many of the sophisticated burglary crews are coming from South America for "criminal tourism" and targeting wealthy communities, according to a community alert sent yesterday. Residential security video shows a suspect dropping to the ground before looking around at about midnight on 11 March. Police believe South American Theft Groups (SATG) often enter the US legally and rotate members out of the country in a matter of weeks. Such crime rings were first investigated in Hillsborough in 2018. Suspects often use luxury cars to easily blend into their target communities, police said.

SOURCE: 13 March 2022, [CBS](#)

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(U) Florida – Five West Point Cadets Overdose on Fentanyl During Spring Break, Police Say

(U) Broward County – A suspect is in custody after five West Point cadets overdosed -- four of whom were hospitalized -- on the drug fentanyl while they were on spring break in Fort Lauderdale earlier this week, according to police. Authorities in Broward County have made the arrest of the 21-year-old man in connection to the sale of a fentanyl-laced powder substance that allegedly triggered overdoses. The incident occurred in a vacation rental house in Wilton Manors, according to a news release from the Wilton Manors Police Department (WMPD). The Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue (FLFR) responded to the house Thursday and aided six men who were feeling overdose symptoms. A seventh female patient was transported to the hospital after feeling sick, police said. A hazmat team tested the powdered material and found that it was laced with fentanyl, an opioid drug, according to the department.

SOURCE: 14 March 2022, [CNN](#)

(U) Nevada – Woman Stabbed Her Date in Vegas Hotel Room As "Revenge" For Iranian Leader

(U) Las Vegas – A woman stabbed her date, whom she had met online, in retaliation for the 2020 death of an Iranian military leader killed in an American drone strike, police said. Nika Nikoubin, 21, has been charged with attempted murder, battery with a deadly weapon and burglary. Nikoubin and the man met online on a dating website, Henderson police wrote in an arrest report. The pair then agreed to meet at Sunset Station hotel in Las Vegas on 5 March, renting a room together. While in the room, Nikoubin put a blindfold on the man, police said. Nikoubin then turned off the lights, and several minutes later, the man "felt a pain on the side of his neck." Nikoubin reportedly stabbed the man in the neck "for revenge against US troops for the killing of Qassem Soleimani in 2020.

SOURCE: 14 March 2022, [CBS](#)

(U) New York – Manhunt Underway to Find Suspect Who Shot Five Homeless Men

(U) New York City – Five shootings targeting sleeping homeless men in New York City and Washington DC, over the past two weeks were carried out by a single suspect who is now the subject of an "urgent" manhunt, officials said yesterday. The mayors of both cities issued a joint statement saying there was a

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"cold-blooded killer on the loose." Agencies also released surveillance photos of the suspect, and each police chief pledged to catch him. The five shootings took place between 3 to 12 March and left two men dead, the New York Police Department and Washington's Metropolitan Police Department said in the joint statement. Each shooting took place in the middle of the night and targeted men experiencing homelessness, authorities said.

SOURCE: 14 March 2022, [CNN](#)

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(U) Croatia – Drone That Crashed in Croatia Carried a Bomb

(U) Zagreb – A military drone that apparently flew all the way from the Ukrainian war zone over three European NATO-member states before crashing in an urban zone of the Croatian capital was armed with an explosive device, Croatia's defense minister said yesterday. The Soviet-made aircraft crossed Romania and Hungary before entering Croatia, slamming into a field near a student dormitory Thursday. About 40 parked cars were damaged in the large explosion, but no one was injured. Authorities found traces of explosives and clues suggesting that this was not a reconnaissance aircraft but instead equipped with bombs were.

SOURCE: 14 March 2022, [ABC](#)

(U) Indonesia – Indonesian Police Kill Suspected Militant

(U) Jakarta – Members of Indonesia's elite counterterrorism police squad shot and killed a doctor resisting arrest who was allegedly connected to the banned Jemaah Islamiyah militant group, which has been blamed for a string of past bombings, police said Friday. The man, who was identified by his single name, Sunardi, 53, tried to ram the officers who blocked his pickup truck on a street in Central Java's Sukoharjo district, leading two of the officers to jump into the truck's cargo bed. The suspect ignored police warnings to stop the truck and kept driving at high speeds in a swerving pattern in an apparent attempt to throw the two officers from the truck. He hit a nearby vehicle and police opened fire at him,

SOURCE: 11 March 2022, [AP](#)

(U) Iraq – Iran Claims Missile Barrage Near US Consulate in Iraq

(U) Baghdad – Iran claimed responsibility yesterday for a missile barrage that struck near a sprawling US consulate complex in northern Iraq, saying it was retaliation for an Israeli strike in Syria that killed two members of its Revolutionary Guard earlier this week. Iraq's Foreign Ministry summoned Iran's ambassador to protest the attack, calling it a flagrant violation of the country's sovereignty. No injuries were reported in yesterday's attack on the city of Irbil, which marked a significant escalation between the US and Iran. Hostility between the longtime foes has often played out in Iraq, whose government is allied with both countries.

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